

**Minutes of the Meeting of Worton Parish Council held on Monday 5 February 2018 in Worton Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Cllr Mark Fisher (MF); Cllr David Johnson (Vice-Chairman) (DJ); Cllr Robert Goss (RG); Cllr Malcolm Powell (MP); Cllr Philip Salaman (PS); Cllr Nick Stokes (NS); Cllr Richard Slack (RS)  
**Also present:** Cllr Richard Gamble (RiG); 6 members of the public; Liz Starling (Clerk)

**Apologies:** Cllr Barry Devine (BD); Cllr Dicky Parsons (DP);

93/17/18	<b>Welcome and Apologies:</b> The Vice-Chairman welcomed Councillors and received apologies.					
94/17/18	<b>Declaration of Members' Interests:</b> There were no declarations of interest registered.					
95/17/18	<b>Minutes of meeting held on 8 January 2018:</b> It was agreed by all that the minutes be signed as an accurate record.					
96/17/18	<b>Vice-Chairman's Announcements:</b> Good news from CATG – to be covered later on the agenda. Parish Plan open event was successful – thank you to all who participated.					
	<p><b>The Vice-Chairman declared that the meeting was temporarily suspended to allow for an open session for 15 minutes where members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of the business on the agenda.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Concerned raised re dog fouling. Clerk gave out supply of laminated signs for residents along High Street to display. Request was also made for extra dog waste bins – Clerk to contact Wiltshire Council.</li> <li>2. Jo Banks looking to run Monster Trail again and likely to need grant help from Community Fund.</li> </ol> <p><b>There were no further comments from the public therefore the Vice-Chairman closed the Open Session.</b></p>					
97/17/18	<b>Community Fund Grant Award:</b> The application for the Community Craft Project has been publicised on the website and in the Bridge. PS proposed and MP seconded that a grant of £150 be paid. Agreed.					
98/17/18	<b>Remembrance Sunday Event:</b> Jo Banks has contacted village groups regarding ideas for an event to be held after the service on Remembrance Sunday. Would like to be involved but unable to take the lead. Noted that WWI commemorative tree planting will be in November sometime. One idea suggested was to re-display material for the history of the village. To go on next agenda with possibility of setting up sub-committee.					
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100/17/18	<p><b>Wiltshire Councillors Report:</b>          RiG advised that there had been considerable concern re drainage in High Street. Wiltshire Council will bring in specialist drainage jetting machinery some time this week. Ibsens House driveway particularly affected due to low kerb – RiG suggested owners make CATG application to increase height of kerb.          GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations) and Data Protection are hot topics at the moment.          Parking charges in Wiltshire will be increasing – possibly from September.          Devizes Development Partnership working on potential railway station to the east of Lydeaway. RiG explained the thinking behind the scheme. There is the opportunity to have a ‘stopping rail service’ so taking advantage of this. The aim of the Development Partnership is to ensure that the perception is to help local economy.</p>												
101/17/18	<p><b>Reports from representatives:</b></p> <p><b>1. Devizes Area Board (DAB):</b>          Meeting held Monday 22 January at Lavington School, RS attended.          Risk of Great Cheverell community shop closing.          New army cadet programme in Lavington going from strength to strength          National Citizen Service - 4 week programme for 16 year olds; teaches team working skills, life skills, involvement in practical activities and social action (<a href="http://www.ncsyves.co.uk">www.ncsyves.co.uk</a>).          Big Spring Clean 2-3 March.          Proposed precept increase for Wiltshire Police was discussed.          Council tax rises are due to be discussed – Wiltshire council proposing increase of 6% due to loss of government grants.</p> <p><b>2. Broadband:</b>          At far end of village those who have broadband have lost telephone line and vice versa.          Drives are being dug up but nothing else is happening.          Claire Perry has been contacted by a resident. RiG will speak to Wiltshire Council – they may be unaware that this is still not sorted.          Principle is good but it is chaotically organised.          Suggested site meeting with Wiltshire Council and OpenReach.</p> <p><b>3. Community Area Transport Group (CATG):</b>          Meeting held 31 January – BD attended. RS reported that the proposal for 40mph zone west of the village has been put as one of the CATG priorities to be funded in the next financial year.</p>												

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	<p><b>4. Speedwatch:</b> Joint action day with Poulshot on 15 February. SIDS to go on next agenda.</p>																									
	<p><b>5. Defibrillator reporting and awareness training:</b> DP has found a fully automatic and semi-automatic defibrillator, both for £875. No information re awareness training yet. Purchase of defibrillator to go on next agenda.</p>																									
<b>102/17/18</b>	<p><b>Grounds maintenance:</b></p>																									
	<p><b>1. Oak tree at Whatleys:</b> Clerk has been able to negotiate a lower price of £480 for the work to the oak tree. This has been booked for 15 March.</p>																									
	<p><b>2. Sandlease Bank – update on further action:</b> Vegetation to be burnt this weekend if weather is dry. Sandlease hedge – RG will ask his contractor to cut top. Volunteers to cut remainder this weekend let by RS. To rent long pole hedge cutter at a cost of £30 – agreed.</p>																									
	<p><b>3. Great British Spring Clean:</b> This was discussed briefly and it was agreed not to sign up this time.</p>																									
<b>103/17/18</b>	<p><b>Footpaths and Highways:</b> DP contacted 2 people about the WORT 11 upgrade, one came back with a quote for £8000 and the other is yet to reply. Back Lane – RG has scrapped layer of mud off but due to weather/time of year, muddy again. Clerk has received email from resident of Back Lane re condition of track. Suggestion that Parish Council contributes to repair of lane, inviting users to make appropriate contribution. The Parish Council felt that it should not start a precedent for maintaining the lane which it does not own. Clerk to speak to Wiltshire Council to see what could be done and to also see if Parish Steward could fill in potholes from the pub to Orchard Cottage with a gravel mix.</p>																									
<b>104/17/18</b>	<p><b>Neighbourhood Plan/Parish Plan - Initial feedback from open meetings 2/3 February:</b> About 50 people attended over the two days, mainly on the Saturday. 3 people signed up as volunteers. School has put in application to CATG for 20mph limit. Various comments on post-it notes – main issue traffic.</p>																									
<b>105/17/18</b>	<p><b>Finance:</b> a) It was agreed the following accounts be paid:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Chq No.</th> <th>Payable to</th> <th>Net</th> <th>VAT</th> <th>Gross</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>804</td> <td>Worton &amp; Marston Village Hall</td> <td>48.00</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>48.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>805</td> <td>Wiltshire Association of Local Councils</td> <td>110.00</td> <td>22.00</td> <td>118.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>806</td> <td>The Society of Local Council Clerks (50% of this to be invoiced to Potterne Parish Council)</td> <td>99.00</td> <td>19.80</td> <td>118.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td><b>Total</b></td> <td><b>257.00</b></td> <td><b>41.80</b></td> <td><b>298.80</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Chq No.	Payable to	Net	VAT	Gross	804	Worton & Marston Village Hall	48.00	0.00	48.00	805	Wiltshire Association of Local Councils	110.00	22.00	118.80	806	The Society of Local Council Clerks (50% of this to be invoiced to Potterne Parish Council)	99.00	19.80	118.80		<b>Total</b>	<b>257.00</b>	<b>41.80</b>	<b>298.80</b>
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<b>106/17/18</b>	<p><b>Correspondence:</b> a) Best Kept Village Competition – although Worton presents well it was decided not to enter this year. b) Big Things – new programme for a major UK Broadcaster; invite public to</p>																									

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	<p>nominate their village to win chance of working with established artist to create large piece of public art. To publicise as much as possible.</p> <p>c) Email from village hall trustees expressing concern that Parish Council have withdrawn grant support. Both BD and clerk have been in contact to explain suggestion of Community Grant was for this year only and was an alternative means of providing support. Suggested a couple of councillors meet with trustees to help complete application form.</p> <p>d) Chairman received letter from Roger Wilshire re various issues which was passed to clerk to deal with and a response has been sent.</p> <p>e) Email received from a councillor requesting clerk has mailing list of residents and emails out agendas etc each month to them. Any instructions need to come from the council as a whole – confirmed all in agreement. Clerk will invite residents to supply email addresses and give permission in line with forthcoming changes to data protection regulations.</p>
107/17/18	<p><b>Items to be considered for the next meeting:</b>  Remembrance Sunday event  Purchase of defibrillator  SIDS  Milestone outside 106 High Street  Data Protection/GDPR  Public Liability Insurance for Monster Trail</p>
	<p><b>Date of next meeting:</b> Monday 5 March 2018 7.30pm in Worton Village Hall</p>
	<p><b>Key messages:</b>  Parish Council have been looking at alternative ways of supporting village hall.</p>

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